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HUMAN RIGHT TO WATER (HR2W)

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GENERAL INFORMATION

- Press Releases
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Water Code Section 106.3

DOWNLOAD HUMAN RIGHT TO WATER DATA

- Data Disclosure
- Exceedance/Compliance Status of Public Water Systems (PWSs)

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- Downloadable data
 - Includes O&M cost estimate
- Maps
- Updates to include affordability and accessibility information
- Continued collaboration with Work Group



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- Water Code Section 106.3
- State Water Board Resolution (02/16/16)
- Drinking Water Watch (Safe Drinking Water Information System (SDWIS) Data)
- Water System Success Stories
- Other References

BROWSE HUMAN RIGHT TO WATER MAPS

- Exceedance/Compliance Status of Public Water Systems
 - Map User Guide
- Affordable (estimated completion 2018)
- Accessible (coming in 2017)

EXCEEDANCE/COMPLIANCE STATUS OF PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS

Click on to enlarge.

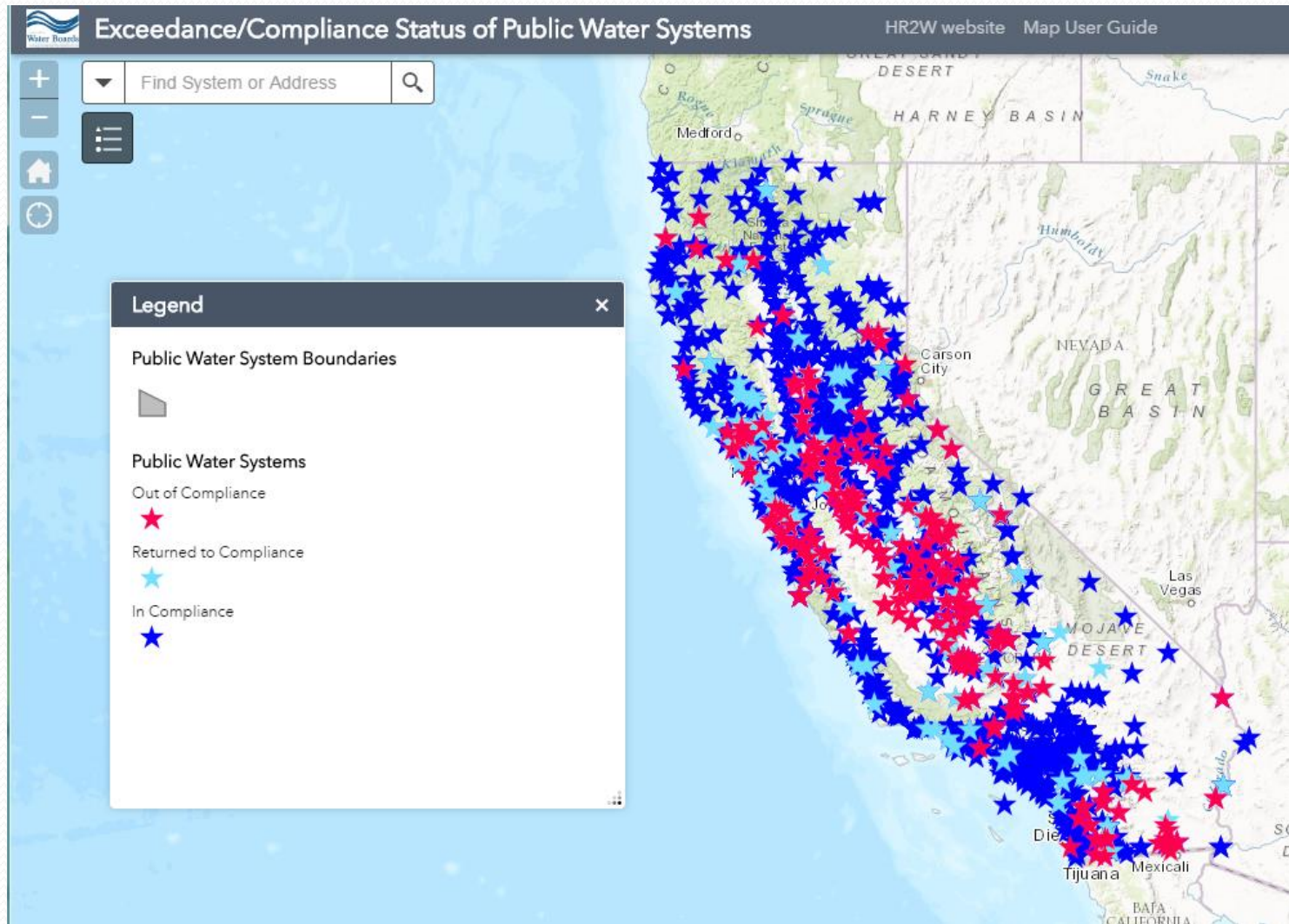


Category	Count
In Compliance	2848
Out of Compliance	382
Returned to Compliance	168

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- Data Disclosure
- Exceedance/Compliance Status of Public Water Systems (PWSs) Data (Excel Files)
 - Community, Schools, Daycares Public Water Systems Who Have Current Exceedance/Compliance Issues (1/1/2012-present)
 - Community, Schools, Daycares PWSs with Return-to-Compliance for Past Exceedance/Compliance Issues (Jan 2012 to present)
 - Community & NTNG PWSs Currently Out-of-Compliance with Hexavalent Chromium MCL (State-owned)
 - Community & NTNG PWSs Currently Have an Approved Hexavalent Chromium Compliance Plan in Compliance with SB 385 (State-owned)
- Affordable Safe Drinking Water (ASDW) Initiative
 - Factsheet
 - Explanation of Safe Drinking Water O&M Needs Estimate Spreadsheet
 - Safe Drinking Water O&M Needs Estimate (Excel File) (Jan 2017)
- Affordable Data (Excel file) (estimated completion 2018)
 - For more information on affordable drinking water rate development activities, see the [Low-Income Water Rate Assistance Program webpage](#)
 - See also [Assembly Bill \(AB\) 401 text](#)
- Accessible Data (Excel file)

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Safe Drinking Water Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Needs

- Some disadvantaged communities lack resources for O&M in order to deliver safe and affordable water
- Consolidation often preferable, but some too remote to be consolidated
- Draft fiscal estimate of annual statewide need based on costs for O&M (and capital needs)
 - For public water systems
 - Does not include private wells

O&M Needs Estimate Summary

- 309 public water systems included in the analysis, serving approximately 200,000 people statewide
- Estimate of \$45 million annually, which is close to \$1 billion over 20 years (assumed amortization period)
- This does not include administrative costs that would be necessary to implement a program, if funded
- Based on a snap shot in time
 - Anticipated that some systems on the list may drop off as affordable solutions are found
 - Meanwhile more systems will likely emerge

Questions for Panelists

- What are the biggest challenges/barriers to communities providing safe drinking water on their own?
- Which communities should be eligible for assistance with O&M?
- What are funding options for providing O&M assistance?
- How can other solutions be accelerated? (e.g., consolidations)